

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
SOUTH DAKOTA

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN
RUNOFF MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
CODE 570**

Land Owner/Operator _____

Job Location _____ GPS

Prepared By _____ Date _____

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ITEMS

Operation and maintenance (O&M) is necessary for all conservation practices and is required for all practices installed with NRCS assistance. The landuser is responsible for proper O&M throughout the life of the practice and as may be required by Federal, state or local laws or regulations.

Operation refers to operation of the practice in compliance with all laws, regulations, ordinances, and easements; and in such a manner that will result in the least adverse impact on the environment and will permit the practice to serve the purpose for which it was installed. Maintenance includes work to prevent deterioration of the practice, repairing damage, or replacing components which fail.

Necessary operation and maintenance items for this practice include:

- ☐ Repair or replace damaged components.
- ☐ Maintain and remove debris and litter from inlets, outlets, storage structures, and water conveyance facilities.
- ☐ Maintain fences and barriers constructed to prevent unauthorized human or animal entry.
- ☐ Maintain vigorous growth of desirable vegetative coverings. This includes reseeding, fertilization, and application of herbicides when necessary. Periodic mowing or short term grazing may also be needed to control height.
- ☐ Remove nuisance rodents or burrowing animals. Repair any damage caused by their activity.
- ☐ Repair any vandalism, vehicular, or livestock damage.

Other _____

